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STABILIZED BONE GRAFT

the specification of which:

____ is attached hereto

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Inventor's signature: _____ Date: _____

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Citizenship: USA

Residence (if different from mailing address): City: _____ State: _____

2) Full name of second inventor: Michele Diegmann

Inventor's signature: Michele Diegmann Date: 11/17/04

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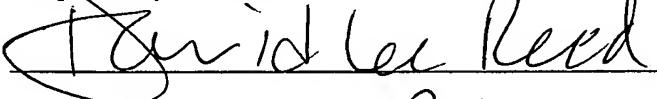
APPOINTMENT OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned hereby appoints the attorneys and agents associated with **Customer No. 24280** as its attorneys and agents for prosecution of matters relating to the above-identified patent application and to conduct all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

All correspondence should be sent to:

Patent Department
Choate, Hall & Stewart LLP
Two International Place
Boston, Massachusetts 02110

Respectfully submitted,



Name David Lee Reed

Title Senior Director, Legal Affairs & Corporate Secy.

On behalf of Osteotech, Inc.

Dated: Nov. 17, 2006

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ESTABLISHING RIGHT OF ASSIGNEE TO TAKE ACTION
(37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b))

The assignee of the entire right, title and interest, **Osteotech, Inc.**, hereby seeks to take action in the Patent and Trademark Office in the above-referenced matter.

Ownership by the assignee is established as follows:

- documents already recorded in the PTO on _____
Reel _____ Frame _____
- documents separately submitted for recordal to the PTO (a copy of these documents is attached).

STATEMENT

I, a person authorized to sign on behalf of the assignee, have reviewed the evidentiary documents referred to above and certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, title is mine/ours as assignees who seek to take further action.

David Lee Reed
Osteotech, Inc.
Name: *David Lee Reed*
Title: Sr Director, Legal Affairs and Corporate Secretary
Date: *Nov. 17, 2006*

ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, each of the undersigned, **David Knaack** of Summit, New Jersey; **Michele Diegmann** of Scotch Plains, New Jersey; and **Albert Manrique** of Manalapan, New Jersey; hereby

Sells, assigns and transfers to **Osteotech, Inc.**, having a place of business at 51 James Way, Eatontown, New Jersey, 07724, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, all hereinafter referred to as the ASSIGNEE, his/her entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries; in and to any and all inventions which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent entitled

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Hereby requests the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said ASSIGNEE.

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Dated: _____

David Knaack

Dated: _____

Witnessed by: _____

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Dated: 11/17/06

Michele Diegmann
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Jay Keys
Witnessed by:

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Valerie M Brooks
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Dated: 12/8/06

Albert Manrique

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Dr. ANN FREWEN

Dated: 12/6/06

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Sir:

WRITTEN ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a)(2)
SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

The undersigned hereby asserts entitlement to small entity status as a small business concern under 37 C.F.R. §1.27(a)(2) on behalf of Osteotech, Inc.

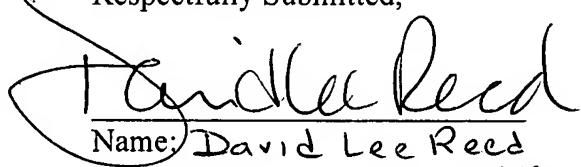
This assertion is made on the ground that Osteotech, Inc. is a concern

(a) whose number of employees, including affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons;
and

(b) that *has not* assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, and is under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license, any rights in the above-referenced patent application to any party who does not qualify for small entity status either as a person, a small business concern, or a nonprofit organization under 37 C.F.R. §1.27,

as set forth in 13 C.F.R. §121.802.

Respectfully Submitted,


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